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MOTION UNDER 28 U.S.C. § 2255 TO VACATE, SET ASIDE, OR CORRECT  
SENTENCE BY A PERSON IN FEDERAL CUSTODY

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United States District Court	District	LERK, U.S. DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO TOLEDO
Name (under which you were convicted): Asif Ahmed Salim	Docket or Case No.: 3:18-CR-00186-JJH-1	
Place of Confinement: F.C.I. Berlin	Prisoner No.: #86551-083	
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	Movant (include name under which you were convicted)	
v.		ASIF AHMED SALIM

## MOTION

1. (a) Name and location of court that entered the judgment of conviction you are challenging: \_\_\_\_\_  
Northern District of Ohio, Western Division  
1716 Spielbusch Avenue, Room #114  
Toledo, OH 43604
2. (b) Criminal docket or case number (if you know): 3:18-CR-00186-JJH-(1)
2. (a) Date of the judgment of conviction (if you know): October 22, 2018
3. (b) Date of sentencing: October 22, 2018
3. Length of sentence: 72 months and Life term of Supervised Release
4. Nature of crime (all counts): Concealment of Financing of Terrorism  
Count 1.
5. (a) What was your plea? (Check one)
 

(1) Not guilty  (2) Guilty  (3) Nolo contendere (no contest)

(b) If you entered a guilty plea to one count or indictment, and a not guilty plea to another count or indictment, what did you plead guilty to and what did you plead not guilty to? \_\_\_\_\_
6. If you went to trial, what kind of trial did you have? (Check one) Jury  Judge only

7. Did you testify at a pretrial hearing, trial, or post-trial hearing?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
8. Did you appeal from the judgment of conviction?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
9. If you did appeal, answer the following:		
(a) Name of court: _____		
(b) Docket or case number (if you know): _____		
(c) Result: _____		
(d) Date of result (if you know): _____		
(e) Citation to the case (if you know): _____		
(f) Grounds raised: _____		
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(g) Did you file a petition for certiorari in the United States Supreme Court?		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If "Yes," answer the following:		
(1) Docket or case number (if you know): _____		
(2) Result: _____		
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(3) Date of result (if you know): _____		
(4) Citation to the case (if you know): _____		
(5) Grounds raised: _____		
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10. Other than the direct appeals listed above, have you previously filed any other motions, petitions, or applications concerning this judgment of conviction in any court?		
Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
11. If your answer to Question 10 was "Yes," give the following information:		
(a) (1) Name of court: _____		
(2) Docket or case number (if you know): _____		
(3) Date of filing (if you know): _____		

(4) Nature of the proceeding: \_\_\_\_\_

(5) Grounds raised: \_\_\_\_\_  
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(6) Did you receive a hearing where evidence was given on your motion, petition, or application? Yes  No

(7) Result: \_\_\_\_\_

(8) Date of result (if you know): \_\_\_\_\_

(b) If you filed any second motion, petition, or application, give the same information:

(1) Name of court: \_\_\_\_\_

(2) Docket or case number (if you know): \_\_\_\_\_

(3) Date of filing (if you know): \_\_\_\_\_

(4) Nature of the proceeding: \_\_\_\_\_

(5) Grounds raised: \_\_\_\_\_  
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(6) Did you receive a hearing where evidence was given on your motion, petition, or application? Yes  No

(7) Result: \_\_\_\_\_

(8) Date of result (if you know): \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Did you appeal to a federal appellate court having jurisdiction over the action taken on your motion, petition, or application?

(1) First petition: Yes  No

(2) Second petition: Yes  No

(d) If you did not appeal from the action on any motion, petition, or application, explain briefly why you did not: \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_

12. For this motion, state every ground on which you claim that you are being held in violation of the Constitution, laws, or treaties of the United States. Attach additional pages if you have more than four grounds. State the facts supporting each ground.

GROUND ONE: Ineffective assistance of counsel:

Counsel declined to file an appeal as Petitioner requested.

(a) Supporting facts (Do not argue or cite law. Just state the specific facts that support your claim.):

Petitioner received a term of 72 months imprisonment for the above underlined offense followed by a term of Life supervised release. After sentencing, Petitioner informed his defense counsel that he wanted to appeal the sentence and term of supervised release. The Petitioner's defense counsel, Linda Moreno, declined to grant Petitioner's request to appeal.

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(b) Direct Appeal of Ground One:

(1) If you appealed from the judgment of conviction, did you raise this issue?

Yes  No

(2) If you did not raise this issue in your direct appeal, explain why: \_\_\_\_\_  
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(c) Post-Conviction Proceedings:

(1) Did you raise this issue in any post-conviction motion, petition, or application?

Yes  No

(2) If your answer to Question (c)(1) is "Yes," state:

Type of motion or petition: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and location of the court where the motion or petition was filed: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Docket or case number (if you know): \_\_\_\_\_

Date of the court's decision: \_\_\_\_\_

Result (attach a copy of the court's opinion or order, if available): \_\_\_\_\_

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(3) Did you receive a hearing on your motion, petition, or application?

Yes  No

(4) Did you appeal from the denial of your motion, petition, or application?

Yes  No

(5) If your answer to Question (c)(4) is "Yes," did you raise this issue in the appeal?

Yes  No

(6) If your answer to Question (c)(4) is "Yes," state:

Name and location of the court where the appeal was filed: \_\_\_\_\_

Docket or case number (if you know): \_\_\_\_\_

Date of the court's decision: \_\_\_\_\_

Result (attach a copy of the court's opinion or order, if available): \_\_\_\_\_

(7) If your answer to Question (c)(4) or Question (c)(5) is "No," explain why you did not appeal or raise this issue: \_\_\_\_\_

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GROUND TWO: Ineffective assistance of counsel:  
Counsel failed to challenge sentence disparity.

(a) Supporting facts (Do not argue or cite law. Just state the specific facts that support your claim.):  
The Government responded to the Court's question concerning the length of sentence that it would seek for Petitioner, Asif Salim and his co-defendant, Sultane Salim, was that based on both defendants' conduct, it believed that both defendant's should receive the same sentence. The record would reflect this question from the Court and Reply from the Government at the Change of Plea Hearing. However, the Petitioner received a longer sentence along with a longer term of supervised release than what his co-defendant, Sultane Salim received.

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**(b) Direct Appeal of Ground Two:**

(1) If you appealed from the judgment of conviction, did you raise this issue?

Yes  No

(2) If you did not raise this issue in your direct appeal, explain why: Defense counsel declined to grant Petitioner's request to appeal without a verbal or written reason as to her reason for declining.

**(c) Post-Conviction Proceedings:**

(1) Did you raise this issue in any post-conviction motion, petition, or application?

Yes  No

(2) If your answer to Question (c)(1) is "Yes," state:

Type of motion or petition: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and location of the court where the motion or petition was filed: \_\_\_\_\_

Docket or case number (if you know): \_\_\_\_\_

Date of the court's decision: \_\_\_\_\_

Result (attach a copy of the court's opinion or order, if available): \_\_\_\_\_

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(3) Did you receive a hearing on your motion, petition, or application?

Yes  No

(4) Did you appeal from the denial of your motion, petition, or application?

Yes  No

(5) If your answer to Question (c)(4) is "Yes," did you raise this issue in the appeal?

Yes  No

(6) If your answer to Question (c)(4) is "Yes," state:

Name and location of the court where the appeal was filed: \_\_\_\_\_

Docket or case number (if you know): \_\_\_\_\_

Date of the court's decision: \_\_\_\_\_

Result (attach a copy of the court's opinion or order, if available): \_\_\_\_\_

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(7) If your answer to Question (c)(4) or Question (c)(5) is "No," explain why you did not appeal or raise this issue: \_\_\_\_\_

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**GROUND THREE:** \_\_\_\_\_

(a) Supporting facts (Do not argue or cite law. Just state the specific facts that support your claim.):

**(b) Direct Appeal of Ground Three:**

(1) If you appealed from the judgment of conviction, did you raise this issue?

Yes  No

(2) If you did not raise this issue in your direct appeal, explain why: \_\_\_\_\_

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**(c) Post-Conviction Proceedings:**

**(1) Did you raise this issue in any post-conviction motion, petition, or application?**

Yes  No

(2) If your answer to Question (c)(1) is "Yes," state:

Type of motion or petition: \_\_\_\_\_

**Name and location of the court where the motion or petition was filed:** \_\_\_\_\_

Date of the court's decision:

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(3) Did you receive a hearing on your motion, petition, or application?

Yes  No

(4) Did you appeal from the denial of your motion, petition, or application?

Yes  No

(5) If your answer to Question (c)(4) is "Yes," did you raise this issue in the appeal?

Yes  No

(6) If your answer to Question (c)(4) is "Yes," state:

Name and location of the court where the appeal was filed: \_\_\_\_\_

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Docket or case number (if you know): \_\_\_\_\_

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Date of the court's decision: \_\_\_\_\_

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Result (attach a copy of the court's opinion or order, if available): \_\_\_\_\_

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(7) If your answer to Question (c)(4) or Question (c)(5) is "No," explain why you did not appeal or raise this issue: \_\_\_\_\_

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GROUND FOUR: \_\_\_\_\_

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(a) Supporting facts (Do not argue or cite law. Just state the specific facts that support your claim.):

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**(b) Direct Appeal of Ground Four:**

(1) If you appealed from the judgment of conviction, did you raise this issue?

Yes  No

(2) If you did not raise this issue in your direct appeal, explain why: \_\_\_\_\_

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**(c) Post-Conviction Proceedings:**

(1) Did you raise this issue in any post-conviction motion, petition, or application?

Yes  No

(2) If your answer to Question (c)(1) is "Yes," state:

Type of motion or petition: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and location of the court where the motion or petition was filed: \_\_\_\_\_

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Docket or case number (if you know): \_\_\_\_\_

Date of the court's decision: \_\_\_\_\_

Result (attach a copy of the court's opinion or order, if available): \_\_\_\_\_

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(3) Did you receive a hearing on your motion, petition, or application?

Yes  No

(4) Did you appeal from the denial of your motion, petition, or application?

Yes  No

(5) If your answer to Question (c)(4) is "Yes," did you raise this issue in the appeal?

Yes  No

(6) If your answer to Question (c)(4) is "Yes," state:

Name and location of the court where the appeal was filed: \_\_\_\_\_

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Docket or case number (if you know): \_\_\_\_\_

Date of the court's decision: \_\_\_\_\_

Result (attach a copy of the court's opinion or order, if available): \_\_\_\_\_

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(7) If your answer to Question (c)(4) or Question (c)(5) is "No," explain why you did not appeal or raise this issue: \_\_\_\_\_

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13. Is there any ground in this motion that you have not previously presented in some federal court? If so, which ground or grounds have not been presented, and state your reasons for not presenting them: Petitioner have not previously presented Ground One or Ground Two in this Motion because it is basically a posting-sentencing issue that occurred upon defense counsel, Linda Moreno's failure to appeal Petitioner's case as he requested.

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14. Do you have any motion, petition, or appeal now pending (filed and not decided yet) in any court for the judgment you are challenging? Yes  No

If "Yes," state the name and location of the court, the docket or case number, the type of proceeding, and the issues raised. \_\_\_\_\_

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15. Give the name and address, if known, of each attorney who represented you in the following stages of the judgment you are challenging:

(a) At preliminary hearing: \_\_\_\_\_

(b) At arraignment and plea: \_\_\_\_\_

(c) At trial: \_\_\_\_\_

(d) At sentencing: \_\_\_\_\_

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(e) On appeal: \_\_\_\_\_

(f) In any post-conviction proceeding: \_\_\_\_\_

(g) On appeal from any ruling against you in a post-conviction proceeding: \_\_\_\_\_

16. Were you sentenced on more than one count of an indictment, or on more than one indictment, in the same court and at the same time? Yes  No

17. Do you have any future sentence to serve after you complete the sentence for the judgment that you are challenging? Yes  No

(a) If so, give name and location of court that imposed the other sentence you will serve in the future: \_\_\_\_\_

(b) Give the date the other sentence was imposed: \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Give the length of the other sentence: \_\_\_\_\_

(d) Have you filed, or do you plan to file, any motion, petition, or application that challenges the judgment or sentence to be served in the future? Yes  No

18. TIMELINESS OF MOTION: If your judgment of conviction became final over one year ago, you must explain why the one-year statute of limitations as contained in 28 U.S.C. § 2255 does not bar your motion.\* \_\_\_\_\_

\* The Antiterrorism and Effective Death Penalty Act of 1996 ("AEDPA") as contained in 28 U.S.C. § 2255, paragraph 6, provides in part that:

A one-year period of limitation shall apply to a motion under this section. The limitation period shall run from the latest of: —

(1) the date on which the judgment of conviction became final;  
(2) the date on which the impediment to making a motion created by governmental action in violation of the Constitution or laws of the United States is removed, if the movant was prevented from making such a motion by such governmental action;  
(3) the date on which the right asserted was initially recognized by the Supreme Court, if that right has been newly recognized by the Supreme Court and made retroactively applicable to cases on collateral review; or  
(4) the date on which the facts supporting the claim or claims presented could have been discovered through the exercise of due diligence.

Therefore, movant asks that the Court grant the following relief: VACATE the sentence and Judgment. Appoint new counsel for appellate purposes and reimpose sentence affording Petitioner an opportunity or any other relief to which movant may be entitled.

to file a timely notice of appeal through appointed counsel.

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Signature of Attorney (if any)

I declare (or certify, verify, or state) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that this Motion under 28 U.S.C. § 2255 was placed in the prison mailing system on June 27, 2019 (month, date, year).

Executed (signed) on June 27, 2019 (date).



Signature of Movant

If the person signing is not movant, state relationship to movant and explain why movant is not signing this motion. \_\_\_\_\_  
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[Insert appropriate court]

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